

WILLIAMS, MORGAN & AMERSON, P.C.10333 Richmond, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77042
(713) 934-7000 Fax (713) 934-7011

Fax

To:	Examiner: Virginia Manoharan Group Art Unit: 1764	From:	Kenneth D. Goodman Reg. No. 30,460
Fax:	1-571-273-1450	Phone:	713-934-4094
No. of Pages:*	4	Date:	December 6, 2004
Re:	Serial No. 09/809,534	File:	2027.601000

☐ Urgent ☐ For Review ☐ For Your File ☐ Please Reply ☐ Please Handle

* w/ coversheet

ORIGINAL: ___ Will follow XX Will not follow● **Comments:**

Attached is the search report you requested.

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE

The documents accompanying this facsimile transmission contain information from the law firm of Williams, Morgan & Amerson which may be confidential and/or privileged. The information is intended to be for the use of the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, be aware that any disclosure, copying, distribution or use of the contents of this faxed information is prohibited. If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us by telephone immediately so that we can arrange for the retrieval of the original documents at no cost to you.



P.B.5018 - Patentlaan 2
2280 HV Rijswijk (Z-H)
☎ +31 70 340 2040
TX 31651 epo nl
FAX +31 70 340 3016

Europäisches
Patentamt

Zweigstelle
in Den Haag
Recherch-
abteilung

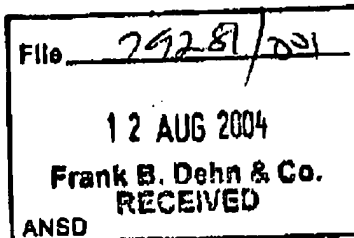
European
Patent Office

Branch at
The Hague
Search
division

Office européen
des brevets

Département à
La Haye
Division de la
recherche

Campbell, Neil Boyd
Frank B. Dehn & Co.,
179 Queen Victoria Street
London EC4V 4EL
GRANDE BRETAGNE



Date/Date

12.08.04

Zeichen/Ref./Réf. 3.79281/001	Anmeldung Nr./Application No./Demande n°/Patent Nr./Patent No./Brevet n°. 02778185.5-2113-US0206923
Anmelder/Applicant/Demandeur/Patent/inhaber/Proprietor/Titulaire A.E. STALEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY	

COMMUNICATION

The European Patent Office herewith transmits as an enclosure the European search report for the above-mentioned European patent application.

If applicable, copies of the documents cited in the European search report are attached.

☒ Additional set(s) of copies of the documents cited in the European search report is (are) enclosed as well.

REFUND OF THE SEARCH FEE

If applicable under Article 10 Rules relating to fees, a separate communication from the Receiving Section on the refund of the search fee will be sent later.





European Patent
Office

**SUPPLEMENTARY
EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT**

Application Number
EP 02 77 8185

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT			
Category	Citation of document with indication, where appropriate, of relevant passages	Relevant to claim	CLASSIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION (Incl.7)
A	US 5 750 732 A (CREMEANS GEORGE E ET AL) 12 May 1998 (1998-05-12) * column 13, line 1 - line 12 *	1-45	B01D3/10 B01D3/16 B01D3/36 B01D3/38 C07C51/46 C07C51/48 C07C59/06 C07C59/08 C07C59/10 C07C69/68
			TECHNICAL FIELDS SEARCHED (Incl.7) C07C B01D
The supplementary search report has been based on the last set of claims valid and available at the start of the search.			
Place of search Munich		Date of completion of the search 3 August 2004	Examiner Haderlein, A
CATEGORY OF CITED DOCUMENTS X : particularly relevant if taken alone Y : particularly relevant if combined with another document of the same category A : technological background O : non-written disclosure P : intermediate document T : theory or principle underlying the invention E : earlier patent document, but published on, or after the filing date D : document cited in the application L : document cited for other reasons & : member of the same patent family, corresponding document			

EPO FORM 1503 03 82 (P040204)

ANNEX TO THE EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT ON EUROPEAN PATENT APPLICATION NO.

EP 02 77 8185

This annex lists the patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned European search report. The members are as contained in the European Patent Office EDP file on
The European Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

03-08-2004

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
US 5750732	A	12-05-1998	US 5420304 A	30-05-1995
			US 5319107 A	07-06-1994
			AT 189204 T	15-02-2000
			AU 7726794 A	18-04-1995
			BR 9407655 A	28-01-1997
			CA 2172798 A1	06-04-1995
			CN 1136309 A	20-11-1996
			DE 69422819 D1	02-03-2000
			EP 0722433 A1	24-07-1996
			FI 961402 A	27-03-1996
			JP 9502997 T	25-03-1997
			WO 9509142 A1	06-04-1995
			US 5675021 A	07-10-1997
			US 5686630 A	11-11-1997
			US 5856523 A	05-01-1999
			ZA 9407211 A	18-06-1996
			ZA 9601426 A	18-06-1996
			AT 169913 T	15-09-1998
			AU 677183 B2	17-04-1997
			AU 3813093 A	21-10-1993
			BR 9306101 A	12-09-1995
			CA 2132843 A1	30-09-1993
			CN 1080921 A	19-01-1994
			DE 69320467 D1	24-09-1998
			DE 69320467 T2	22-04-1999
			EP 0632807 A1	11-01-1995
			FI 944275 A	16-11-1994
			JP 2922303 B2	19-07-1999
			JP 7504916 T	01-06-1995
			NO 943464 A	15-11-1994
			NZ 251210 A	28-10-1996
			WO 9319058 A2	30-09-1993
			US 6025458 A	15-02-2000
			US 5767222 A	16-06-1998
			US 5556895 A	17-09-1996
			US 5801223 A	01-09-1998

EPO FORM P453

For more details about this annex : see Official Journal of the European Patent Office, No. 12/82